

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 101

By Johnson

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Frederick Barger
Bennett of Williamson County.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Frederick Barger Bennett, a brave and dedicated law enforcement officer who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born on September 23, 1952, in San Antonio, Texas, Mr. Bennett was the first of four children born to James Arla Bennett and Nancy McGill Bennett; he attended Gower Elementary School and graduated from Bellevue High School in 1972; and

WHEREAS, Frederick Bennett relocated to Williamson County in 1975, and in September 1979, he joined the Williamson County Sheriff's Department as a reserve deputy; shortly thereafter, he became a full-time sheriff's deputy and served in this capacity until 1982, when he was promoted to detective in the Criminal Investigation Department (C.I.D.); and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bennett was promoted to lieutenant in 1985, then to captain over the C.I.D., in which position he remained until he retired in 2016; and

WHEREAS, a lifetime member of the Association of Professional Police Investigators and the Fraternal Order of Police, Frederick Bennett held membership with the Franklin Masonic Hall, Hiram #7 and the Franklin Noon Rotary, where he was named a Paul Harris Fellow; he also served as a mutton buster wrangler for the Franklin Rodeo and was a former member of the Tennessee Blue Knights MC, Chapter V; and

WHEREAS, above all, Mr. Bennett was deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, he enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Teresa Tyson Bennett, for twenty-eight years; their blessed union produced two children, James Benjamin (Rebecca) Bennett and Autumn Tyson Stone, and four grandchildren, Rylee Bennett, Jacob Bennett, Jackson Bennett, and Lucy Theiler; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his wife, children, and grandchildren, he is survived by his siblings, Judy (Danny) Baggett, Robert (Cindy) Bennett, and Maria (David) Becker, and a host of nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews; and

WHEREAS, Frederick Bennett leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity, probity, and valor in his public life as a law enforcement officer, compassion and loyalty in private life, and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly wishes to honor the memory of this exceptional police captain and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that on behalf of a grateful public, we honor the memory and celebrate the life of Frederick Barger Bennett, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Bennett.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.